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Redevelopment Board Minutes 01-28-2002

Minutes of January 28, 2002

Members Present: Roland Chaput

Nora Mann Ed Tsoi Barry Faulkner John FitzMaurice (absent)

Also Attending: Alan McClennen, Jr., Secretary ex officio David Walkinshaw, Symmes Advisory Committee

8:00 p.m. The Board convened in the second floor conference room of the Robbins Memorial Town Hall annex to review the status of Symmes.

David Walkinshaw, representing the Symmes Advisory Committee, and members of the Board reviewed procedures that might be followed to select consulting assistants to help understand the best way to redevelop the site. The Board members talked about ways of reducing operating expenses and, also, possible new land uses, such as residential, office, and biotech. Several members of the Board felt that it would be appropriate to enter into a planning process where developers were contacted directly to find out what was most possible, given the economic conditions. Following an extensive discussion, it was agreed that David Walkinshaw would review the possibilities with the Symmes Advisory Committee.

9:30 p.m. The staff reviewed the results of the bidding for the storm drainage at Reeds Brook and recommended that the contract be awarded to the apparent low bidder. Kevin OBrien and Alan McClennen recommended that Albanese D&S Construction of Malden, MA, the low bidder, at \$2,745,000 be awarded the contract for drainage improvements at Reeds Brook; unanimous vote in favor.

Minutes to be approved: Moved by Mr. Tsoi, seconded by Ms. Mann, to approve the minutes of December 17, 2001, January 7, 2002, January 14, 2002, as amended; unanimous vote in favor.

10:00 p.m. Adjournment. Moved by Mr. Faulkner, seconded by Ms. Mann, to adjourn; unanimous vote in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Alan McClennen, Jr.

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